Third 1916 Griffman Signs for Coming Season-Dreyfuss Will Shut His Park

ANOTHER GRIFFMAN SIGNS A CONTRACT

ment From Member of His 1916 Outfit.

ALTROCK AWAITING ORDERS

Dick Hoblitzel, Fraternity Director, Disagrees With Fultz's Action.

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

Another member of the Griffmen of 1916 has signed his contract for the coming season, defying the orders of President David L. Fultz, of the Baseball Players' Fraternity.

When Manager Griffith opened his mail today he was overjoyed to find the signed contract which brings up his total to three. Counting Johnson. Zeb Milan, Ray Morgan, and Eddle Foster, all of whom are working on contracts running through the 1917 season, seven players are sure to be in line when the bell rings.

"No. I can't say whose contract came in today," laughed the Old Fox. "It'll be time enough to let the fans know when we hike South. But, judging from letters coming in today, many more of the boys will not hesitate any longer than absolutely necessary. I don't blame them for holding back a few weeks to see what happens to Fultz's demands. Some of the boys live in small towns and never see a newspaper from a big league city. I suppose they are waiting for the weeklies.

Nick Altrock Writes.

Uncle Nick Altrock, larger half of the comedy knockabout team of Altrock and Sawyer, came to time today with a letter to "dear teacher." Nick has left the vaudeville stage flat on its back and has gone in for selling sporting goods, thus making himself a professional in the eyes of the golf and tennis lords.

"Nick is full of 'pep." announces Griffith, "and is anxious for marching orders. He's a great card, is old Nick, and he'll be in the party leaving for Augusta this spring. ought to be busy with that bunch of southpaws I've got."

The American League has adopted a policy of secrecy as to those play ers signing contract for 1917. With the exception of players admitting their breaking away from the fraternity, until the athletes leave for their training camps, the fans will not be sure who is in line and who isn't Manager Griffith, withholding the names of the two regulars who have signed, is carrying out this policy of the league.

Hoblitzel Disagrees

world's champion Boston Red Sox and in three weeks or so. a director in the fraternity, announced from his home in Parkersburg. W. Va., that he is not in symwith the American Federation of La- or February 1st.

demands upon the magnates," says Hobby, "and if a strike is to come, I'll stick to the fraternity, but I can see no good to be derived from obtaining a charter from the American Federation of Labor. I don't think baseball is the same thing as a

Up to today forty major league players have indicated their dissatisfaction with President Fultz's handling of their case against the forces of organized baseball. Slim Salles the Giants' veteran southpaw pitcher and Oscar Stanage, Detroit's veteran backstop, have been expelled from the fraternity for signing.

Ray Schalk, the White Sox catcher, expected to meet the same fate Comiskey gave his speedy little backstop a fat raise and immediately a signed contract flopped across Com-

Question of Salary.

The real nub of the controversy seems to be a question of salary Players drawing war-time salaries out of all proportion under present conditions are having slices given Many have declined to sign

in almost every case coming to light thus far where a player has been given a raise, he has signed. In many cases where 1916 salaries were offered, the players have signed. Usually, where cuts nave been made, balking has resulted.

Cases' Stengel, Zack Wheat, and Otto Miller, of the Brooklyn Dodgers, have joined the list of players kicking at their contracts. Not one of three, in returning his contract. makes any mention of the impending strike, however. They have based their argument upon the salary of-fered, not upon transportation expenses for minor leaguers.

Grob Will Sign Up.

From Cincinnati comes the word that Heinie Groh, the Reds' star infielder, will defy Fultz's order and sign a contract as soon as a satisfac-

tory salary is named. "I cannot see why we big leaguers, who have been given everything we have asked for,' says Grob, "and who are treated to the best when travel ing, should jeopardize our baseball careers now at the request of Dave

"I have no kick coming, and don't know any who have. If the Cincin-nat' club offers me a satisfactory conorders from Fults."

WESTERN GOLFERS* FRAME OWN RULE

Old Fox Receives Third Docu- Will Act Independently of National Association Regarding Amateurs.

> CHICAGO, Jan. 22.-Action independent of the United States Golf Association on the definition of an amateur will be taken by the Western Golf Association under the new officers and board of directors elected last night at the annual meeting of the Western Association, it was announced today.

It was said that the contemplated movement might lead to a rupture between the two leading golf bodies in America and eventually result in the formation of a new organization which would attempt to become the supreme court of golf in the United

No sooner had the annual meeting ratified rulings by the outgoing board of directors, making the Western Golf Association's definition of an amateur conform to recent rules of the United States Golf Association than the new board of directors me and named a committee to formulate and named a committee of an amateur.

This committee is composed of President Charles F. Thompson, of the Plossmoor Club: Secretary Charles M. Smalley, of Olympia Fields, and Assistant Secretary Crafts W. Higgins, all of Chicago.

Will Submit a Draft.

The amateur rule committee will submit a draft of a new definition to the other officers and directors for ratification, and the new rule then will be placed in effect by the board of directors, subject only to review at the next annual meeting of the as-

President Thompson has substan tially the unanimous support of the new board of directors, he said, in his effort to formulate a definition of an amateur that would not have to be interpreted as applied to each individual. He said that under the presvidual. He said that under the pres-ent rule, making any golfer a pro-fessional whose profits from handling golf goods resulted from his promin-ence in the game, Francis Ouimet had been declared a professional by the United States Golf Association, while who likewise handled another man, who likewise handled golf goods, had been held to be an amateur because in the opinion of the committee he had not gained sufficient prominence on the links.

Has 240 Active Clubs.

The Western Golf Association has as active members 240 clubs, substanfially all the golf clubs west of Pittsburgh and south of the Ohio river. Horace F. Smith, of Nashville, presi rent of the Southern Golf Association and a member of the Western asso ciation's board of directors, some time ago announced a plan for the organi nation of a new national body, and it was said today that some such plan might be tried within a few months.

BASEBALL SOON

High Schools Are Talking Over Pos sibilities for Season.

Baseball talk is going the rounds. High school youngsters inactive in work among members of the Players' track and basketball are beginning to of fact, the floor is composed of wood-Fraternity came to light today when get the fever. It would not be sur- en blocks set in nearly a yard of solid Dick Hoblitzel, first baseman of the prising to find battery candidates out

Georgetown is generally the first to get action in Ryan gymnasium with battery candidates. The Hilltoppers make merry in hurling the old pill pathy with the proposal to affiliate around about the middle of January At the same time the high school

candidates do some limbering up. A week or two more will bring the ing up.

It seems that Bob King is at Prince ton University, playing with the freshmen. Dick King, a younger brother, is the lad who shot nineteen baskets from the floor against St. Albans the other day. Friends had the three Kings at once, brothers, of course, and a right royal family.

George Green, coach of Tome was in town Saturday and some dozen athletes for the Georgetown meet, according to Mr. Green. Tome has fifty six boys trying out for

TEN MEETS FOR FORDHAM

Maroon Athletes to Have Busy In-

NEW YORK, Jan. 22. - Fordhem University track management has specifled eight indoor meets for the winter in which at least ten Maroon runners will compete. This is double the number of approved meets sanctioned been much better. This year they deby the athletic association last year, and it is rumored that the schedule will be raised to a dozen indoor games. Coach Bernie Wefers hopes to have a pack of fifty runners on the local indoor meets from now on

The Fordham meet will be held on February 24 at the Twenty second Regiment armory and will be the largest the Bronx collegians ever managed, despite the fact that in former years Fordham staged very creditable indoor games annually The schedule

January 20, Millrose Athletic Club games; 26, Young Men's Democratic League games; February 3, Boston Athletic Association games at Boston 10, New York Athletic Club games; 17, Brooklyn College games: 21, Second Naval Division games at Hartford: 24, Fordham University games: March 3 indoor intercollegiate meet at Phili

A dual meet with Colby and Buck nell at the respective tracks will be announced shortly.

RACE ON THREE DAYS.

JUAREZ, Jan. 22-The Juarez manage ment announced that, beginning this week, there will be only three racing days each week until the closing of the tract. I will sign without waiting for meeting. Racing days will be Sunday,

TO REVIVE DERBY

Readville Track Will Stage Famous Race Next Summer.

BOSTON, Jan. 22.-The management of the Readville track today announce ed a harness race meeting of five events, carrying \$11,000 in prizes, on July 4. The American Trotting Derby for three-year-olds, eligible to the 2:20 class, will be renewed for a purse

The Massachusetts 2:08 trot and free-for-all pace will have prizes o \$2,500 each attached, and the 2:15 trot and 2:19 trot will be for \$1,500 each. The races will be decided in heats

THINK NAVY TEAM IS AHEAD IN EAST

Has Defeated Yale, C. C. N. Y., Crescent A. C., and Swarthmore.

ANNAPOLIS, Jan. 22 .- Jim Colli flower's basketballers at the Naval Academy have played an undeniably good game this winter, and have not et met with defeat. On the face of t, their record is probably the best of the Eastern college teams, and some of the Navy people are inclined to hold that it stands at the head of the list Vale New York City College Swarthmore, and the Crescent Athletic Club have been defeated, as well as a number of fives of less reputation, but several hard propositions are yet to be tackled. Seven straights

have been won. The midshipmen will meet George town next Wednesday, and St. John's (Brooklyn) next Saturday. Then fol-low the University of Virginia and West Virginia University contests The latter game comes on February and is the last on the schedule, but to play New York University on Feb The New Yorkers were booked to come to Annapolis last Sat urday, but the game had to be can-celed, as the midshipmen all attended Admiral Dewey's funeral. New York was the only team to win from the Academy last year, and the midship nen are particularly anxious for an

Have Fast Combination.

Without questioning that the midshipmen have a fast and clever team, the decision of the referee. nost experts will agree that the fact that they play all their games on the home court makes the award of considerably superior to that of any to think of it. other college team.

what extent a visiting team is handicapped at Annapolis is some-thing of a question, but one visiting coach put it as high as 40 per centprobably too high an estimate. Still, too clear for discussion. chological effect of the sympathy of the crowd is an element of some strength in itself, but there are some

definite advantages in the Navy court. Complain of Floor.

Visiting players sometimes complain of the utter lack of slip and spring in the Navy floor. As a matter erally a source of discomfort to those They are set against the gallery of played, and fastened with a number of rigid iron bars. It is noticeable that most visitors shoot a little too hard against the board, and lose shots by the ball rebounding over the bas

ket more than it would do on most

Game Not Thought Of. However, the courts are perfect so

far as size is concerned and space beyond the outside lines. They run crossways of the building, and there are half a dozen or so perfect courts. so that that number of practice games can go on at the same time.

Sometimes visitors ask if the armory was laid out with the idea of having basketball played in it. As Sunday. Tome will come down with a matter of fact, basketball was not thought of at the Academy until long after the armory was completed. Nearly all of the teams which are now the midshipmen's chief oppon before it was played at Annapolis.

Would Meet Army.

Banketball was played at West Point several years before it was started here, and the midshipmen have always been anxious to have the service teams meet.

In this wish, no doubt, the cadets meet them heartily, but the authorities have never permitted it. As a feated the Crescents and Swarthmore. both of which wor rather easily from

WILL PLAY EIGHT

Michigan's Eleven Will Meet Penn ANN ARBOR, Mich. Jan. 22 .- The

1917 football season of the University of Michigan will open October 3 with the University of Detroit here, and will close November 17, when the University of Pennsylvania will be played at Phil adelphia. Syracuse will not be played.

October 2. University of Detroit; Ocbber 6, Case; October 10, Western State Normal School of Kalamazoo; October 20 M. A. C.; October 27, University of Nebraska; Nov. 3, Kalamazoo College; November 10, Cornell University; Nomber 17 University of Pensylania, at

ERENCH CHAMPION KILLED. PAU France, Jan. 22.-George Bernard, the middleweight champion pugilist of France, was killed yesterday while making a flight. Bernard was attached to the aviation corps. He enlisted at the beginning of the war when he was only nineteen years of age.

SCHOOLBOY TEAMS LISTED AT Y. M. C. A.

Basketball and Swimming **Teams Met During January** and February.

Schoolboy basketball and swimming teams are listed on the winter sport program of the boys' Y. M. C. A. this year to a greater extent than ever

Friday night the boys will entertain Western High School swimmers in a dual meet and later in the night will play Eastern in basketball. Seven events have been arranged for the February 2 the Ingram Memoria

Church swimmers will be met in the "Y" tank, and at night the St. Albans' school basketball team will be play ed. Saturday night, February 3 Afbans will be taken on in a dual swimming meet.
On February 9 the "Y" will stage

a wrestling tournament. Mid-Febru ary will find the "Y" swimmers pit ted against the Central High School Swimmers, while on February Business will be met in a basketball

Coach Wilson is having unusua uccess with the "Y" youngsters. The pecting to make a cleanup during the remainder of the year.

BOB THAYER'S Sporting Gossip

Dave Fultz may stay long enough to ssue another "seething statement."

That major league managers are in to sweet mood these days is indicated by the remark of Hughey Jen nings to the effect that, if Bob Veach won't sign the contract tendered him "he'll be sold to some minor league club." Get that? He won't be offered to any other major league club, but will drop right back to the tall sticks Apparently there must be some un derstanding around the major leagues as to the punishment to be doled out to those athletes who won't abide by

A shadowy world's series will be played at Hot Springs, Ark., between championship honors to them out of the Dodgers and Red Sox this spring. the question, even were their record. The last one was shadowy, too, come

Our Royal duckpin team, strongest in the history of local bowling, is in a fair way to create a national reputation for itself. At the present time Captain Halthe advantage to the home team is ley is endeavoring to arrange a match with an all-star combination, of Baltimore which should it be rolled, in all probability would result in a victory for the Royals. With the stake secured from winning this match, it would be possible to get up another affair with one of these crack New England quints, preferably the Miah Murrays, who showrolling in the A. C. B. A. tournament last year. Such a match would create wide-spread interest and afford much Another thing is the publicity for both competing teams. The opinion has grown here that the Royals form the strongest combination in the East. Only one quint is mentioned that would possibly prove superior-the Miah

With evident relief we note this the only mention of Les Darcy in the public prints for the day.

Michigan's football eleven will play eight games next fall, the strongest opponents being Pennsylvania, Cornell, and Nebraska. And right there, all is said. Harry Costello's kid team opens the Wolverines' schedule, which also includes such ferocious elevens as Case, Western State Normal, and Kalamazoo. Michigan seems to be following the example of those Eastern elevens who "strengthen" their schedules by dropping all those second class teams with enough ability to make the score a scare.

Western golfers plan a revolt. Well, that'll give them a little space now going to Dave Fultz.

in all this scramble concerning the amelioration of conditions surrounding the minor league ball player, we have yet to hear that the minor leaguer himself will strike, unless his transportation is paid this spring. So far only members of the fraternity, one-fourth of whom are said to be big leaguers, have been quoted as willing to strike. Furthermore, only those big league members are in the fight, nothing coming from the minor league members. If the bushers are suffering and want relief, why don't they strike themselves?

Who is your nominee for Ban Johnson's suggested "home for superannuated players Don't all speak at once.

Now inquiries are being made as to why the U. S. G. A. excepted golf writers from the rule against professional ism. As a matter of fact, "capitalizing one's athietic skill," can be easily discovered by impartial investigators. Each case should be decided on its own merits. No blanket rule should be invoked. If John Jones, for instance, who has never written golf, or anything else wins a championship and almost at once blossoms forth as a full-fledged golf writer, he may be "capitalizing his athletic skill." But if he has been slaving at the writing game for years, and suddenly wins a championship, that TO BEGIN TRAINING

Al McCoy Has Posted Forfeit for Battle With Darcy.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.-Al McCoy announced today that he would immediately start training for a bout with Les Darcy, which will take place about six weeks hence, probably at the Manhattan Casino. The exact date has not ben set because of Darcy's theatrical engagements. McCoy said that Tom O'Rourke had offered \$25,000 for the bout, \$15,000 to go to Darcy and \$10,000 to him-self. Articles have been signed, and each of the men has posted \$500 for-

STRONG OPPONENTS OFFERED BALTIMORE

Either All-Star or Royal Duckpin Combination Probably Would Triumph.

Von Lossberg's all-star duckpin team, of Baltimore, seems to have bitten off more than it can chew by negotiating matches with local teams First it was intended that the Ral timoreans meet an all-star combina team has won six straight, and is extition selected by George Isemann. Prospects for this seem to have dwindled because Lossberg insisted on rolling the two-ball game against the wishes of the locals.

Royals Challenge

Now the Royal team, undoubtedly the strongest that ever competed on local alleys, has hurled a challenge at the Monumental City rollers, agreeing to a compromise on the conditions of the match, permitting the two-ball style for five games in Baltimore and staging the other five of the ten-game series here, using the regulation three-ball game.

Isemann has not given up hope of securing a match for his team. He expects to teceive a final decision from Baltimore shortly.

Locals Are Favored.

Should Lossberg's quint meet either local team, the all-star or the Royals, it is a safe bet that the Baltimorean will be beaten. Of all seasons in the history of duckpins here this has brought forward the strongest bunch of bowlers and their records, compared with those of the Maryland city, show a decided margin in favor of the locals. It is probable that a match between

Washington and Baltimore teams at team this time would create nearly as the Tome School team Saturday. much interest as that between this city and Brockton, Mass., some years It is understood that the Royals

would be willing to back themselves for any stake that Lossberg's team is capable of putting up. PLAY NEXT MONTH Murray Not Expected to Defend Indoor Tennis Title.

eenth annual tournament for the national indoor lawn tennis championships of the United States in men's singles and doubles will begin on the board courts of the Seventh Regiment armory, Park Avenue and Sixty-sixth street, beginning on Saturday, February 10, and continuing on the follow-

ing days, except Sunday. All matches will be two out three vantage sets, except in the finals of the singles, and doubles, which will be three sets out of five First and runner-up prizes in division and a consolation prize will

Robert Lindley Murray, formerly of California, but now a resident of the East, is the present champion, having won the big challenge bowl last year. It is not believed, howthat he will defend his title next Month. King Smith and Arthur, S. Cragin are the present doubles

WHERE THEY ROLL.

National Capital-Columbians District-Grand Centrals vs. Shermans, at Grand entral.

Masonic Harmony vs. Washing on Centennial; M. M. Parker vs. B B. French; Hiram vs. New Jerusalem Commercial - Evening

Woodward and Lothrop, at Palace, Agriculture Interbureau - Anima industry vs. Entomology, at Casino Red Men-Seneca vs. Mineola: Os Eagle, at Jitney. Postoffice-R. M. S. vs. Carriers

O . Postmasters vs. Night Force. Navy Yard East vs. Miscellaneous, at Capitol Hill. Capitol Hill - Marines vs. Ger-

manias, at Capitol Hill. Bureau-Reds vs. Cubs, at Rath Georgetown Commercial-C. and C. Supply vs. West Ends, at George-

Southeast-Cannon Balls vs. Ten-

torians, at Southeast. Departmental-Treasury vs. ries, at Palace. Capital City-Freemans vs. Ivory Soaps, at Rathskeller,

Mt. Pleasant-Perpetuals vs. Palm afe, at Arcade, Arcade-New York vs. Phi Mu igma, at Arcade. Columbia-Columbias vs. Congressionals, at Columbia. Fourteenth Street-Speedways vs

Phelps, at Speedway. Interstate-Fourth Section vs. Steographers, at Arcade. Bureau of Standards Sharpsho

rs vs. Crackerjacks, at Arcade. Southern Railway Tie and Timber s. Law: Managers vs Passenger raffic; Auditors vs. Treasurers, at Omo Class-Red Sox vs. Phillies, at

Brightwood. Washington City Tenpin-Ploneers vs. Royals, at Royal.

MANY FLOOR GAMES BARNEY DREYFUSS FOR LOCAL QUINTS

Put in Busy Week in Basketball.

College and schoolboy basketball teams will be hard put to it this week as the next few days will nad the quints doing their busy work for

son will go down as the banner year of the sport here.

won five games in a row, latteriv taking George Washington into camp by a 30-to-24 score, will play the un beaten Navy team on Wednesday and will meet the strong St. John's Col-lege team, of Brooklyn, on Friday night.

Engler for Navy.

The Navy will have it easier that Georgetown, although they meet the ame teams this week. Georgetown neets the sailors on the latter's floor. and will help take the steam out of St. John's here Friday night before the Navy meets the Brooklyn players

George Washington and Catholic University rest until Saturday. The Hatchetites play the Davis-Elkins team, while the C. U. Players journey to Baltimore for a return game with Loyola College.

Gallaudet Ja Boay.

Gallaudet will be busy toward the latter part of the week. The Kendall Greeners play the Blue Ridge College five on Friday, while the As N. Prep team is meeting the Kendall Green reserve players. There are no other games for the colleges Schoolboy basketers will be un

usually active. Central and Western meet tomorrow at the Y. M. C. A. while Technical and Business play in the second half of the do The second game was shoved forward one date in order to allow Tech to meet the Martinsburg, W. Va., team on Friday.

No League Games. There are no other league games this week. Gonzaga is scheduled to appear at the Army and Navy Prep School for a game tomorrow. On Fri-day night Eastern is slated to oppose

the Boys' Y. M. C. A. team. Saturday night comes Central's big test of the year. The Central play crs will entertain the Baltimore City College team here. The City College team was handed a 29-to-20 defeat by

WILL SEND ENTRIES

High and Prep School Swimmers I Central Meet.

For the first time in the history o aquatics in this city high and prep High School dual meet between junlors and freshmen. Tech, Business, St Alban's and Army and

The meet will be held tomorrow afternoon, and the entries for the arious events are as follows: Whitman, Courto, and Hayes: freshman-Dickey, Maitland, Vincient, and

50-yard swim, junior-Haves and Courte; freshmen-Vincent and Mait-

Whitman: freshman-Vincient and Little 220-yard swim, junior-Hayes and Scharf: freshman - Diekey and

80-yard back stroke, junior-Jack-

man and Bonnet. 80-yard breast stroke, junior-Marean: freshman-Maitland and Gold Plunge for distance, junior-Leech

Wilbur; freshman-McKenner and Little Fancy diving, junior-Hayes Stose; freshman-Newby and Little. One-length special for boys who could not swim one length Novem-

ber 1-Haleo. Smith, Garacio, Frazier, and Kerr. Two-length special for boys who denly could not swim one length November 1-Haleo and Kerr. 500-yard special-Call, Houston,

RELAYS CLASSED

Albans Given Ratings at Penn.

the paratery schools with Tome.

Georgetown Prep is rated in class 5 for the Roman Catholic school championship. In class 9 come Gilman Country School of Baltimora. Enja. Country School, of Baltimore; Epis-copal High School, of Alexandria, and the Army and Navy Prep School, of

Central High is rated in class 2. along with Hutchinson Central, Mas-ten Park, Lafayette, of Buffalo; Bal-timore C. C., West Philadelphia,

same class are Trenton, Dickinson, Erasmus Hall, East Oronge, Jamaica, Bloomfield, and Barringer.

BREAKS OFF RELATIONS.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 22.-Alleging

roughness in a basketball game Saturday night, Loyola has severed athletic relations with Mt. St. Joseph's. extending to all sport. In Saturday's liams, of the Cardinals abowling team, contest O'Connor, Loyola's star, was have been elected to the club. contest O'Connor. Loyola's star, was have been elected to the Cub.
knocked unconscious by a punch on The Cardinals' basketball team has orthe jaw, necessitating three stitches in his lip. Three Mt. St. Joseph's play-

READY FOR STRIKE

School and College Teams to Will Close Forbes' Field Before Yielding to Demands of the Players.

By JOE VILA.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22 .- "Seriously, believe that baseball would be The season has found a generous attendance at all games and a 7-12eral manifestation of interest which warrants the prediction that the erason of 1917.

"In fact, I will the sport here." benefited by a year's lay-off,' said

son of 1917.
"In fact, I will go to that extreme rather than surrender to the players' union. Our club has not made a doi-(15-igrtiwn (1... tarsity, which i.as | lar for three years. We have been for five games in a row, latteriv paying to the players practically all the money taken in and sometimes

"If there was any justice in the de mands of the union I would be in favor of giving a respectful hearing and granting whatever seemed res-sonable. But it is ridiculous to make the major leagues suffer because the minors do not feel able to concede the requests of the players' organi

Won't Hold Water.

"What are the demands of the un on, anyway? There is not a single one of them that will hold water The first demand, concerning the pay ment of injured players, is worthless because such players always have received salaries in full.

"The second, relating to the im diate release of a minor league player unconditionally instead of giving him five days' notice, as the minors do at pre-ent, is unreasonable and foolish. The players now are paid for five days. Perhaps some of them want to collect from two clubs at the same time.

Third One Is Unjust

"The third demand, asking for the payment of transportation from omes to the training camps is unjust, so far as the minor leagues are concerned. The majors are able to do this, but the minors cannot stand the extra expense and live.
"I do not fear the issue.

sign many of my players right now. Several have asked for advance money on this year's salary. That doesn't look as if they were eager to doesn't look as if they were eager to remain on strike.

"But I will not advance a dollar.
I am tired of being guardian for men who are absolutely ungrateful. In future any player who works for me will earn what he gets and he won't get it until he has earned it."

Carey Forgets Rules. Max Carey, the Pirates'-best player, who was the National League's champion base stealer last year, should become familiar with the intricacies of baseball law. Carey has notified Barney Dreyfuss that he is a free agent because his 1916 contract did t include an option on his services

for this year. In spite of the fact that Carey was placed on the Pirates' reserve list, ne has been offering his services to other National League clubs. Und school swimmers will get together baseball law, without which the in two special races at the Central sport could not be successful, no club in the National League can enter tain a proposition from Carey with-out the consent of the Pirates' owner. Navy Prep will send entries late to- stances, has been turned down by other clubs in Governor Tener's cir

Carey drew \$5,000 from the Pitta-burgh club last year and the same amount in 1915. He has been a holdout every time that his contra expired. Dreyfuss says that a new \$5,000 contract has been sent to Carey, and that if he refuses to sign it he will receive still another con-

tract for less money. Showed Some Hostility.

At the annual meeting of the minor agues in New Orleans recently, the delegates showed considerable hostility toward the majors. They framed up a score of impossible demands, including the appointment of a new Na-

These demands have been practical denied, but the minors, as usual, will gamely take their medicine for the good of baseball. What would happen if the minor leagues went on strike and closed their parks?

Why don't they strike, anyway, and avoid more financial losses? perhaps, their players would realize that present conditions are preferable to idleness and empty pockets. If the minor league players were sudthrown out of employment, would their major league brothers pay their living expenses? It's an interesting question ..

BREEN KEEPS PLACE

Cardinals Re-elect Him President And Prepare for Season.

With the re-election of Sylvester J Breen as president the Cardinal Ath-Local high school and prep schools letic Club, of Alexandria, is planning a are given their class rating in the vigorous athletic campaign for the re-Peun relay games list published to mainder of the winter, and the coming day. St. Albans, on account of its spring. With President Breen were win last year, is waked in class I in elected Harvey C. Crump, manager, and

> President Breen will be on hand and plans for a hard campaign will be put under way. Reports submitted by the president and executive committee at the annual meet

ing, showed that the Cardinals had a successful season during the year 1916. both financially and athletically. Boys' High School.

Western and Technical are in class

Western and Technical are in class
in the high schools. Others in the

Sin the high schools. Dickingen announced later, also those wit take part in the evening's festivities.

During the coming season the Cardi-nals will have some of the best amateur baseball players hereabouts on the c'ub roster and the members anticip Four new members, French Kirby, E. Hubert Steele, and W. Wif-

ganized and are anxious to arrange games with all fast quints in this viciners were barred for roughness and six- ity. Address all challenges to Harvey C. Crump, Alexandria, Va.